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Hon. Sara Kyle Chairman Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, Tennessee 37243-0505

Re:

Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and Memphis Networx LLC Pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996

Docket No. 02-00589- **03-00089**

Dear Chairman Kyle:

Enclosed please find the original and fourteen copies of an Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement between Memphis Networx LLC and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. The Amendment includes language and rate element for Physical Collocation – Co Carrier Cross Connects and Application Fee.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Guy M. Hicks

cc: Ms. Carlotta Sampson, Memphis Networx LLC

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY Nashville, Tennessee

In re:

Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and Memphis Networx LLC Pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996

Docket 1	No.			

PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF THE AMENDMENT TO THE INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT NEGOTIATED BETWEEN BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. AND MEMPHIS NETWORX LLC PURSUANT TO THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996

COME NOW, Memphis Networx LLC ("Memphis Networx") and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., ("BellSouth"), and file this request for approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement dated June 19, 2001 (the "Amendment") negotiated between the two companies pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, (the "Act"). In support of their request, Memphis Networx and BellSouth state the following:

- 1. Memphis Networx and BellSouth have successfully negotiated an agreement for interconnection of their networks, the unbundling of specific network elements offered by BellSouth and the resale of BellSouth's telecommunications services to Memphis Networx. The Interconnection Agreement was approved by the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA") effective December 17, 2001.
- 2. The parties have recently negotiated an Amendment to the Agreement which includes language and rate element for Physical Collocation Co-Carrier Cross Connects and Application Fee. A copy of the Amendment is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

3. Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Memphis Networx and BellSouth are submitting their Amendment to the TRA for its consideration and approval. The Amendment provides that either or both of the parties is authorized to submit this Amendment to the TRA for approval.

4. In accordance with Section 252(e) of the Act, the TRA is charged with approving or rejecting the negotiated Amendment between BellSouth and Memphis Networx within 90 days of its submission. The Act provides that the TRA may only reject such an agreement if it finds that the agreement or any portion of the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement or the implementation of the agreement or any portion of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity.

5. Memphis Networx and BellSouth aver that the Amendment is consistent with the standards for approval.

6. Pursuant to Section 252(i) of the Act, BellSouth shall make the Agreement available upon the same terms and conditions contained therein.

Memphis Networx and BellSouth respectfully request that the TRA approve the Amendment negotiated between the parties.

This 30th day of 02, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.

By:

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Guy M. Hicks, hereby certify that I have served a copy of the foregoing Petition for Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement on the following via United States Mail on the day of ______, 2003:

Ms. Carlotta Sampson Memphis Networx 7555 Appling Center Drive Memphis, TN 38133

Guy M. Hicks

AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN MEMPHIS NETWORX LLC AND

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. DATED JUNE 19, 2001

Pursuant to this Amendment, (the "Amendment") Memphis Networx LLC, ("Memphis Networx") and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth"), hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Parties", hereby agree to amend that certain Interconnection Agreement between the Parties dated June 19, 2001 ("Agreement").

WHEREAS, BellSouth and Memphis Networx entered into the Agreement on June 19, 2001, and;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual provisions contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties hereby covenant and agree as follows:

- 1. The Parties hereby agree to delete Section 3.5 of Attachment 4 and replace with new Section 3.5 as follows:
 - 3.5 Co-Carrier Cross Connect (CCXC). The primary purpose of collocation is for a collocated telecommunications carrier to interconnect with BellSouth's network or to access BellSouth's unbundled network elements for the provision of telecommunications services within a BellSouth Premises. BellSouth will permit Memphis Networx to interconnect between its virtual or physical collocation arrangements and those of another collocated telecommunications carrier within the same central office. Both Memphis Networx's agreement and the other collocated telecommunications carrier's agreement must contain rates, terms and conditions for CCXC language. At no point in time shall Memphis Networx use the Collocation Space for the sole or primary purpose of cross connecting to other collocated telecommunications carriers.
 - 3.5.1 Memphis Networx must use a BellSouth Certified Supplier to place the CCXC. The CCXC shall be provisioned through facilities owned by Memphis Networx. Such connections to other carriers may be made using either optical or electrical facilities. In cases where Memphis Networx's equipment and the equipment of the other interconnector are located in contiguous caged Collocation Spaces, Memphis Networx will have the option of using Memphis Networx's own technicians to deploy co-carrier cross connects using either electrical or optical facilities between the sets of equipment and construct its own dedicated cable support structure. Memphis Networx may deploy such optical or electrical connections directly between its own facilities and the facilities

of other collocated telecommunications carriers without being routed through BellSouth equipment. Memphis Networx may not self-provision CCXC on any BellSouth distribution frame, POT (Point of Termination) Bay, DSX (Digital System Cross-connect) or LGX (Light Guide Cross-connect). Memphis Networx is responsible for ensuring the integrity of the signal.

- 3.5.2 Memphis Networx shall be responsible for providing written authorization to BellSouth from the other collocated telecommunications carrier prior to installing the CCXC. Memphis Networx-provisioned CCXC shall utilize common cable support structure. There will be a recurring charge per linear foot, per cable, of common cable support structure used. In the case of two contiguous caged collocation arrangements, Memphis Networx will have the option of using Memphis Networx's own technicians to construct its own dedicated support structure.
- 3.5.3 To order CCXCs Memphis Networx must submit an Initial Application or Subsequent Application. If no modification to the Collocation Space is requested other than the placement of CCXCs, the Subsequent Application Fee for CCXC, as defined in Exhibit B, will apply. If modifications in addition to the placement of CCXCs are requested, the Initial Application or Subsequent Application Fee will apply. This nonrecurring fee will be billed by BellSouth on the date that BellSouth provides an Application Response.
- 2. The Parties agree to amend Exhibit A of Attachment 4 to include the rate element, Physical Collocation Co-Carrier Cross Connects Application Fee contained in Exhibit 1 to this Amendment, incorporated herein by this reference.
- 3. All of the other provisions of the Agreement, dated June 19, 2001, shall remain in full force and effect.
- 4. Either or both of the Parties are authorized to submit this Amendment to the respective state regulatory authorities for approval subject to Section 252(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused this Amendment to be executed by their respective duly authorized representatives and shall be deemed effective the date of the last signature of both Parties.

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